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Honorable Spessard L. Holland
United States Senate
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Senator Holland:

I return for your files the letter to you from [redacted] dated 14 August 1959. He refers to the Drew Pearson column of 13 August 1959 wherein it is stated that "this column has obtained a copy of a Central Intelligence Agency report showing Fidel Castro's links with communism."

The report quoted in Drew Pearson's column was neither prepared nor disseminated by this Agency.

I would be happy if you would kindly advise [redacted] accordingly.

Sincerely,

SIGNED

Allen W. Dulles
Director

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In response to your request, I should like to advise that no such report was prepared or disseminated by this Agency. Therefore, that portion of the Drew Pearson column quoted above is not accurate.

I hope the above information is adequate for your purposes but if you have any additional questions please let me know.

Sincerely,

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MEMORANDUM FOR: THE DIRECTOR

Attached is a proposed letter for your signature to Senator Holland advising that the alleged CIA report referred to by Drew Pearson was not a CIA report. This letter has been shown to the FBI and to Col. Grogan. They have no objection. (Also [redacted] had no objections.)
Recommend signature. [redacted]

Legislative Counsel

24 August 1959
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